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MEMORANDUM TO CHIEF, BUDGET & FINANCE BRANCH

THROUGH: Executive for A & N

SUBJECT: Circumstances of Transfer of [redacted] to FBI, Cyprus

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1. [redacted] entered on duty with FBI in Military status on 1 December 1947. He was assigned against the T/C to position of Assistant Chief, Editorial Division at that time, and on 20 December 1947, after being civilianized, was given an Excepted Appointment to that position.

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2. [redacted] was being oriented during the month of December, 1947 and part of January, 1948 in FBI Editorial Office with a view to giving him the responsibilities of the position of Assistant Chief, Editorial Division, in Washington for a period of at least one year before reassignment to any other position.

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3. In early January, 1948, however, it had been determined to proceed with the construction of a new FBI monitoring station on the Island of Cyprus under a reciprocal arrangement with the ESO Monitoring Service. It was believed that arrangements for this construction would be facilitated by having the Cyprus Project handled by an FBI representative with military rank to deal with British officials on the Island. [redacted] was the only man available in the organization meeting this requirement, and although his period of orientation in FBI operations had been too brief for thorough familiarity it was considered that his general qualifications and experience, together with his rank, outweighed this factor.

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4. It was therefore determined on 7 January 1948 to transfer Lt. Col. Roger G. Sealy to the position of Assistant Chief, Mediterranean Bureau with complete responsibility to this office for the implementation of the Cyprus Project.

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Brigadier General, USA
Assistant Director for Operations

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